

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR, PINS, QA, ET  
SUBJ: RIVAL ERITREAN LEADERS VISIT QATAR

1. QATARI DAILY AL ARAB REPORTED THAT IN EARLY JANUARY THE  
PATHS OF TWO ERITREAN GROUPS CROSSED IN QATAR. AT THE SAME  
TIME UTHMAN SABA, LEADER OF THE ERITREAN LIBERATION FRONT  
ARRIVED IN DOHA, RAMADAN MOHAMED NUR AND MOHAMED ALI OMAR,  
LEADERS OF THE NATIONALIST LIBERATION FORCES, WERE ALSO IN  
THE COUNTRY. THE LEADERS OF THE TWO GROUPS DID NOT MEET BUT  
REPORTEDLY DID SPEAK OVER THE PHONE. AL ARAB REPORTED JAN 16

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THAT BOTH SIDES "HAD LOST AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND RESOLVE  
THEIR DIFFERENCES." NUR AND OMAR REPORTEDLY SAID THAT DIFFERENCES  
BETWEEN THE TWO GROUP WERE "TACTICAL NOT STRATEGIC."

2. AL ARAB GAVE SIGNIFICANT COVERAGE TO BOTH SABA AND OMAR-NUR  
VISITS BUT MOST REPORTAGE DEALT WITH GENERAL BACKGROUND ON  
ERITREA.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THERE WERE NO REPORTED CONTACTS OF  
ERITREANS WITH GOQ OFFICIALS, FACT OF THEIR VISIT AND PERMITTED  
PUBLICITY INDICATES THAT THEY PROBABLY ACCOMPLISHED THEIR  
PRINCIPAL PURPOSE HERE, I.E. FUND COLLECTING.  
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